

Remarks/Arguments

Applicants have carefully reviewed the above identified application in light of the Office Action dated March 10, 2005. Claims 1-19 remain presented for examination. Claims 1, 7, 8, 14, 15 and 19 have been amended to define still more clearly what Applicants regard as their invention, in terms which distinguish over the art of record, and in particular to overcome the formal rejection.

Claims 1, 7, 8, 14, 15 and 19 are the only independent claims.

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Shah for her July 7, 2005 phone conversation with Thomas Onka, attorney for Applicants. During this phone conversation, several formal matters were addressed. One initial matter discussed was the replacement of the former attorneys of record, Testa, Hurwitz & Thibault, LLP, by the law firm of Synnestvedt Lechner & Woodbridge LLP. Attached is a copy of a Power of Attorney, signed by both inventors, appointing Synnestvedt Lechner & Woodbridge LLP as principal attorneys to prosecute this application before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Also discussed was the objection in the Office Action to the main body of the specification containing a computer program listing (at pages 6-7 of the published application). As this computer program is meant to be only any example of how certain features of the invention can be implemented in Java code, in the interests of furthering prosecution, Applicants have herewith deleted this program listing.

In response to Paragraph 1 of the Office Action, Applicants have submitted herewith eleven (11) replacement sheets for the previously submitted drawings. It should be noted that these replacement sheets do not contain any substantive changes to the original drawings and that they merely represent better quality drawings of the same information.

Applicants note with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 1-19 (ref. paragraphs 5 and 6 of Office Action). Independent claims 1, 7, 8, 14, 15 and 19 have been amended to include transitional phrases as requested in paragraphs 4 and 5 of the Office Action. Since these claims have been so rewritten, they are now believed to be in condition for allowance. Dependent claims 2-6, 9-13 and 16-18 have been reviewed and are believed to comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph and are accordingly deemed patentable as well.

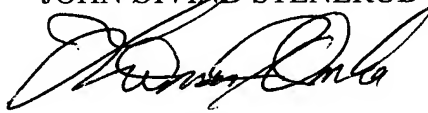
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant believes claims 1-19 to be patentable and the application to be in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests issuance of a Notice of Allowance. If any issues remain, the undersigned attorney requests a telephone interview prior to the issuance of an action.

Respectfully submitted,

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